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SUBJECT: UNRWA FINANCES

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- 1. APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S EFFORTS TO WORK OUT AGREEMENT WITH UNRWA WHICH WOULD MEET U.S. LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR POSSIBLE U.S. SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION.
- 2. U.N. TRUST FUND WOULD NOT MEET LEGAL REQUIREMENTS BECAUSE CONTRIBUTION TO TRUST FUND EARMARKED FOR UNRWA PROGRAM WOULD DIFFER IN NO ESSENTIAL RESPECT FROM DIRECT U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO UNRWA BUDGET.
- 3. UNRWA SUGGESTION ESTABLISH SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR COSTS OF EDUCATION (PARA 4, REFTEL) WOULD ONLY PARTIALLY SOLVE U.S. LEGAL PROBLEMS SINCE IT WOULD NOT ESTABLISH SEPARATE PROGRAM BUT WOULD MERELY ESTABLISH SPECIAL ACCOUNT TO FINANCE EXISTING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS.

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4. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE FORMULA EXISTS TO RECONCILE OUR

REQUIREMENTS AND RENNIE'S PROPOSAL. UNRWA HAS ALREADY INDICATED THAT IN ABSENCE OF EMERGENCY FINANCIAL HELP, IT WILL ABOLISH LAST THREE YEARS OF EDUCATION CYCLE. THEREFORE REQUEST YOU INQUIRE IF RENNIE WOULD NOT

ESTABLISH EXTRAORDINARY SPECIAL PROGRAM AND ACCOUNT TO COVER THAT PART OF EDUCATION CYCLE WHICH WILL BY THAT TIME HAVE BEEN TERMINATED AND REMOVED FROM THE REGULAR BUDGET, THEREFORE REQUIRING ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW UNRWA PROGRAM. THIS WOULD MEET OUR TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECTAL CONTRIBUTION OF ABOUT FOUR MILLION DOLLARS.

5. U.S. WOULD REQUIRE CONTRACT OR GRANT AGREEMENT IDENTIFYING ABOVE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM AND SPECIFYING OBJECTIVES AND COSTS. UNDER CONTRACT/GRANT AGREEMENT UNRWA WOULD AGREE TO ADMINISTER U.S. FUNDS TO ACHIEVE THAT OBJECTIVE. BECAUSE OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS EXPECTED (FROM, E.G., UNESCO, EC, AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS), PROGRAM NEED NOT BE IDENTIFIED AS "U.S. PROGRAM" IN CONTRACT/GRANT AGREEMENT OR UNRWA DOCUMENTS.

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